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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- [] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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			+ \$180	\$ 0
OR				
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			X \$200	\$ 0
			+ \$360	\$ 0

* not fewer than 20

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Respectfully submitted,

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